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MEMORANDUM

TO: Superintendents and Charter Holders

FROM: Dr. Robert J. Franciosi

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DATE: October 10, 2007

SUBJECT: New Achievement Profiles for Districts and Charter School Operators.

(REF: RE07008-E)

This memo is to inform you of a new law providing for the publication of classification labels for school districts and charter operators. (ARS 15-241(DD)). It is the intent of ADE to release the first classification labels in the spring of 2008.

One of the components specified in the law is the results of a survey of parents:

15-241 (DD) 4. The percentage of the parents of pupils enrolled in that charter school operator's charter schools or in that school district's schools that categorizes the quality of their child's education as excellent on a parental rating of school quality.

Fair

Poor

In order to gather this information, we are requesting that you administer the following question via a survey to the parents in your district or charter schools.

The quality of my child's education at his/her school is:

Excellent

Alternatively, you may instead report the results of a similar question on a survey that you already give to the parents in your district/charter school.

Good

We are requiring that you report this information to the Arizona Department of Education through an on-line questionnaire that will be e-mailed to you separately. <u>In order to ensure that your results are included in the evaluation, we are asking that you report your results to ADE by Friday, February 1, 2008.</u>

If you have any questions regarding this information, please contact Research and Evaluation at 602-542-5151 or email achieve@azed.gov.